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SUBJ: COURT ORDERS CLOSURE OF INDO-US FERTILIZER PLANT
GOA BECAUSE OF POLLUTION

1. DISTRICT MAGISTRATE OF PANAJI, GOA, APRIL 19 ORDERED
IMMEDIATE CLOSURE ZUARI AGRO-CHEMICALS LIMITED FERTILIZER
PLANT UNTIL FINAL DISPOSAL OF CASE FILED BY GOA GOVERNMENT
REGARDING POLLUTION CAUSED BY FACTORY'S EFFLUENTS.
GOVERNMENT COUNSEL SAID POLLUTION POSED SERIOUS PROBLEMS TO
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PUBLIC HEALTH. COURT HAS FIXED NEXT HEARING FOR MAY 3.

2. ZUARI HAS FOR SOME TIME FACED POPULAR AGITATION AGAINST POLLUTION PROBLEMS CAUSED BY THE FERTILIZER PLANT, AND EFFORTS MADE BY THE COMPANY TO REDUCE POLLUTION AND COMPENSATE THOSE DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY IT HAVE NOT BEEN REGARDED AS SATISFACTORY ACCORDING TO THE PRESS. ACCORDING TO PRESS TRUST OF INDIA REPORT APRIL 20, GOA GOVERNMENT HAS ORDERED ZUARI MANAGEMENT TO FULLY COMPENSATE FARMERS FOR CROPS DAMAGED BY POLLUTANTS, AND ALSO CONTINUE TO SUPPLY DRINKING WATER IN NEIGHBORING VILLAGES.BANE

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